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SUBJECT: ATLANTIS II CLEARANCE REQUEST

REF: (A) TEL AVIV 8691, (B) STATE 307229

1. SUBJECT ACTIVITY DIFFERS FROM NASA RESEARCH ALLUDED TO  
IN REF A IN THREE PRINCIPAL RESPECTS:

A. SUBJECT ACTIVITY IS NOT "COOPERATIVE" RESEARCH AS THAT  
TERM APPLIES TO WORK CARRIED OUT UNDER AUSPICES OF BILATERAL  
SCIENCE AGREEMENTS OR EVEN IN THE MORE LIMITED SENSE THAT  
IT MIGHT APPLY TO NASA PROJECT. INVITATION TO HOST-COUNTRY  
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OR ADJACENT-COUNTRY SCIENTISTS TO PARTICIPATE IN VOYAGE OF  
VESSEL IS STANDARD COURTESY AND ANY ISRAELIS ON BOARD SHOULD  
BE CONSIDERED OBSERVERS RATHER THAN PARTICIPANTS. EXPEDI-  
TION IS, OF COURSE, WHOLLY AMERICAN-INITIATED AND FINANCED.

B. WOODS HOLE OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTION IS A PRIVATE,  
RATHER THAN A USG ORGANIZATION. ALTHOUGH MANY PROJECTS,

INCLUDING THE PRESENT ONE, ARE USG-FUNDED, INSTITUTION'S OPERATING FUNDS ARE DERIVED FROM PRIVATE SOURCES. EMBASSY SHOULD POINT OUT THAT IT IS CONVEYING REQUEST NOT ON BEHALF OF USG INSTITUTION, BUT AS A COURTESY TO A DISTINGUISHED

PRIVATE RESEARCH ORGANIZATION AND BECAUSE OF USG INTEREST IN THE RESEARCH ITSELF.

C. AS A PRACTICAL MATTER, ATLANTIS II PROJECT IS OF CONSIDERABLY LOWER VISIBILITY THAN NASA PROJECT, BEING LOCATED AT SEA OFF VIRTUALLY UNPOPULATED COAST, RATHER THAN IN HIGHLY VISIBLE JORDAN VALLEY, AND IS CONSIDERED UNLIKELY TO ATTRACT OUTSIDE ATTENTION.

2. FOR THESE REASONS, SUBJECT REQUEST SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED AS EXCEPTION TO STANDING POLICY CONCERNING USG-SPONSORED RESEARCH IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. PARA 1A AND 1B MAY BE DRAWN UPON IN EXPLAINING WHY THIS IS SO TO GOI OFFICIALS.

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